



Minutes of the Board of Education
Averill Park High School – LGI

June 14, 2016
Presiding: Chris Foster

- Members Present: Chris Foster
Stuart Nippes
Dori Salisbury
Peter Schaefer
Jessica Zweig
- Members Absent: Jennie Glasser
Shawn Morgan
- Others Present: Superintendent of Schools: Dr. James D. Hoffman
Assistant Superintendent: Sharon Lawrence
Assistant Superintendent for Business: Michael Ouimet
Community members

A meeting of the Board of Education was held at the Averill Park High School on Tuesday, June 14, 2016.

I. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance Chris Foster

- II. Superintendent's Report
- Resolution Honoring District Retirees
 - Sage College in the High School Class Theatre for Young People
 - Recognition Gordon Kaedy

On a motion by Mrs. Salisbury, seconded by Mr. Nippes, that the Board of Education orders this resolution be presented to those honorees and be included in the minutes of the regular meeting of June 14, 2016.

YES: 5 NO: 0 Motion Carried

III. Public comment limited to topics on this evenings' agenda. Those wishing to address the Board were asked to complete the request form and submit it to the Board in order to be recognized by the Board of Education President. Comments were limited to three minutes per speaker.

IV. Consent agenda - moved to approve the consent agenda as listed A-D CONSENT AGENDA
Although Board action is required, it is generally unnecessary to hold discussion on these items. With the consent of all members, they are therefore grouped and approval is given in one motion. In the event a Board member wants to discuss any item, it is moved to an appropriate place on the agenda.

A. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the Board of Education meeting minutes of May 24, 2016.

B. Financial Recommendations FINANCIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

1. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the Claims Audit Report for May 2016.

2. RESOLVED, to approve the agreement between the Averill Park Central School District and the Town of Poestenkill to provide transportation services, as per the attached.
3. RESOLVED, to approve the 2015-16 health and welfare contract with East Greenbush Central School District in the amount of \$10,484.32 for 14 students attending non-public schools.
4. RESOLVED, to approve to accept a donation in the amount of \$1,000 from Ms. Tara Hoffman and Regeneron Corporation to the Special Education Department and increase the General Fund budget (A2250450100000) by this amount.
5. RESOLVED, to approve to accept a donation in the amount of \$12,500 from the Averill Park Youth Lacrosse Program for the purpose of funding Varsity and JV lacrosse for the 2015-16 season and increase the General Fund budget (A2855150006000) by this amount.
6. RESOLVED, to approve to accept student Advanced Placement exam fees in the amount of \$15,207 and increase the General Fund budget (A2110450100002) by this amount.
7. RESOLVED, to approve to declare the attached list of items as surplus and authorize their disposal.

C. Routine Personnel Actions

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board took action on routine resignations, appointments, leaves and terminations.

1. RESOLVED, to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Nicholas Pendergast as a teaching assistant effective September 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.
2. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Nicholas Pendergast to a four (4) year probationary appointment as a teacher of Special Education in the Special Education tenure area, commencing on September 1, 2016 and ending August 31, 2020. Mr. Pendergast holds an initial certification as Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6) (certificate #693165121). The appointment should be Step 2, Masters Schedule.
3. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Andrea Geren to a three (3) year probationary appointment as a teacher of Elementary in the Elementary tenure area, commencing on September 1, 2016 and ending August 31, 2019. Ms. Geren holds a professional certification as a Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) (certificate #843993141). The appointment should be Step 4, Masters Schedule.
4. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Mary Joann Harnden to a four (4) year probationary appointment as a teacher of Elementary in the Elementary tenure area, commencing on September 1, 2016 and ending August 31, 2020. Ms. Harnden holds an initial certification as a Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) (certificate #922626151). The appointment should be Step 1, Masters Schedule.
5. RESOLVED, to approve to correct the appointment of Rosanna Futia from a four (4) year probationary appointment as a Foreign Language teacher to a three (3) year probationary appointment as a Foreign Language teacher in the Foreign Language tenure area, commencing on September 1, 2016 and ending August 31, 2019. Ms. Futia holds a permanent certification as Spanish 7-12 (certificate #271286081). The appointment should be Step 4, Masters Schedule.

6. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the resignation for retirement purposes of Regina Reed as school bus attendant, effective June 24, 2016. Ms. Reed has been with the district for 12 years.
7. RESOLVED, to approve the resignation for retirement purposes of Linda Cusson as school bus attendant, effective June 24, 2016. Ms. Cusson has been with the district for 12 years.
8. RESOLVED, to approve the resignation of Lavena Futia as teacher aide, effective June 17, 2016.
9. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Aprille Tomlinson as .6 FTE Art teacher, effective September 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The appointment should be Step 5, Masters Schedule.
10. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Shannon DeCelle as .6 FTE Art teacher, effective September 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The appointment should be Step 2, Masters Schedule.
11. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Katherine Chwazik as .6 FTE Art teacher, effective September 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The appointment should be Step 2, Masters Schedule.
12. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Catherine Wood as .75 FTE Remedial Instructor effective September 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The appointment should be Step 2, Masters Schedule.
13. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Rebecca Everett as .1 FTE School Nurse, effective September 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The appointment should be Step 4, Health Professional Schedule.
14. RESOLVED, to approve the following teachers to work in the Summer School Blended Learning APEX Program (7:45 am – 12:00 pm Mondays and Wednesdays) effective July 6, 2016 through August 15, 2016 compensated at professional hourly rate per APTA collective bargaining agreement:
English: Kristine Schaefer, Susan Ford
Social Studies: Jay Goodnow, James McPartlin
Science: Gregory Panzanaro
Physical Education: Nathan Luskin
Mathematics: Terrence Miller
Health: Olga Ashline, Emily Brown (shared)
Substitute: C. Rian Colbert, Michael Sheridan
Coordinator: Zachary Gobel
15. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Naomi Colton as Summer Extension Program Math Teacher (8:00 am – 10:00 am), Monday through Thursday, effective July 5, 2016 through July 28, 2016 compensated at professional hourly rate per APTA collective bargaining agreement.

16. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Michele Drake as Summer Extension Program ELA Teacher (10:00 am – 12:00 pm), Monday through Thursday, effective July 5, 2016 through July 28, 2016 compensated at professional hourly rate per APTA collective bargaining agreement.
17. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Valene Miller as substitute school nurse for the Extended School Year (ESY) Summer Program (8:00 am – 2:00 pm daily), effective July 4, 2016 through August 12, 2016.
18. RESOLVED, to approve to abolish a position of 10-month typist assigned to administrator for 7.5 hours per day, effective June 30, 2016.
19. RESOLVED, to approve to create the position of 12-month account clerk for 7.5 hours per day, effective July 1, 2016.
20. RESOLVED, to approve the probationary appointment of Cynthia Ryan as account clerk for 7.5 hours per day, 12 months per year, effective July 1, 2016.
21. RESOLVED, to approve the probationary appointment of Mary Paris as custodian for 7.5 hours per day, 12 months per year, effective July 1, 2016.
22. RESOLVED, to approve the following teacher aides for the Extended School Year Summer Program for 5.5 hours per day, effective July 5 through August 12, 2016: Carol Iwanowicz; Kasey Fitzgerald; Tracy Madsen
23. RESOLVED, to approve the probationary appointment of Donna Makar as cook for 7.5 hours per day, 10 months per year, effective September 1, 2016.
24. RESOLVED, to approve the following substitutes, contingent upon Section 87 Commissioner of Education regulation on fingerprint clearance:
 Gavin Ryan – cleaner
 Alexander McCullen – cleaner
 Dena Weger – school bus driver
 Patricia Oliver – school bus driver and school bus attendant
 John Rudd – cleaner

D. Special Education Recommendations SPECIAL EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS
 RESOLVED, to approve to accept the recommendations made by the Committee on Special Education at their meetings on May 19, 24, 25, 26, June 2, 2016 and the recommendations made by the Committee on Preschool Special Education at their meetings on May 20, 2016. Approved Amendment – No Meeting ID# 305514 as per new State Education Guidelines.

EDC PROJECT APPROVED

E. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the following Educational Development Committee (EDC) project for the 2015-2016 school year: LOTE Checkpoint a Credit Recovery Program.

On a motion by Ms. Zweig, seconded by Mr. Nippes, to approve consent agenda items A-E.

YES: 5

NO: 0

Motion Carried

V. Board Member Reports

VI. Visitor Comments

Visitors were invited to make brief comments or direct questions to the Board. Those wishing to address the Board are asked to complete the top portion of the request form and submit it to the Clerk in order to be recognized by the Board of Education President. Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker. (NO SPEAKER FORMS SUBMITTED)

Visitors wishing to ask questions were asked to complete the bottom portion of the request form and submit it to the Clerk. The Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee will research the question and contact the individual who submitted the request. When possible, questions will be answered immediately.

Anyone wishing to ask questions is always encouraged to send their question to the Board of Education or Superintendent via our school website.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mrs. Salisbury, seconded by Mr. Nippes, to move to go into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m., in accordance with the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 5111, Article 7 and Subdivision E & F of the Laws of 1977 and Formal Opinion of counsel No. 239, Paragraph B to discuss the following checked items:

YES: 5

NO: 0

Motion Carried

VII. Executive Session

Recommend an executive session to discuss:

proposed, pending or current litigation;

collective negotiations under the Taylor Law;

the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation;

matters leading to the appointment, employment discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;

the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property;

other [specify] _____

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Schaefer, seconded by Mrs. Salisbury, to return to regular session at 8:34 p.m.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion Carried

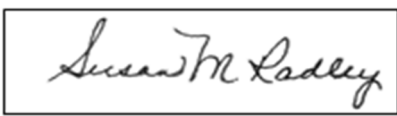
MEETING ADJOURNED

On a motion by Mr. Nippes, seconded by Ms. Zweig, to adjourn meeting at 8:35 p.m.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion Carried



Susan M. Radley, District Clerk